

Scientific Steering Committee
Meeting
Program to Develop Sediment Quality
Objectives

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Overview Indirect Effects

What questions are we asking?

Are beneficial uses protected from trophic transfer of pollutants in sediments?

What receptors are we considering?

Staff would like to consider all possible receptors given time and resources

What receptors can we utilize in a policy application?

Important sensitive and understood receptors: Human health, wildlife...birds, marine mammals.

Indirect Effects

Developing ambient sediment quality objectives *applied at the water body scale*

Propose a narrative objective and develop tools and implementation policy that could be applied to answer these questions.

Narrative Objective

Pollutants in sediments shall not bioaccumulate in shellfish or fish tissue at a level that poses an unacceptable risk to human or wildlife health. To implement this narrative objective, multiple lines of evidence must be applied as described in Section XXX of the policy.